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6.	Badminton Association of India	27,56,636/-	59,76,390/-	35,20.500/-
7.	Archery Association of India ...		37,22,971/-	
8.	Wrestling Fedration of India		4.19,194/-	9,56,625/-
9.	Rowing Federation of India ...			71,28,217/-

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

intimation of policy decisions and programmes to PMO

1019. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the practice, convention and rules of our Cabinet system of governance imply, *inter-alia* that policy decisions and programmes, when framed by Ministries and Departments, are intimated to the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) well before their introductions;

(b) whether the same is being done away with;

(c) if so, the rationale thereof; and

(d) if not the veracity of recent newspaper reports in the Press suggesting that PMO has been writing since 3rd September, 2004 repeatedly to various Ministries/Departments highlighting the growing practice of informing the PMO of policy decisions at the last moments only before their scheduled official announcements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) The business of the Government of India is transacted in accordance with the rules framed under Article 77(3) of the Constitution of India and accordingly, the business allotted to a Ministry/Department is disposed of by or under the general or special directions of the Minister-in-Charge except in cases, where the business of Dther Departments/Ministers is impacted, or where the issues require approval of the Prime Minister, the President or the Cabinet and its committees or where the Minister-in-Charge of a Department/Ministry may, in view of the importance of the subject, desire such matter(s) to be placed before the Prime Minister, the Cabinet or its Committees. However, as the Head of the Government, the Prime Minister regularly interacts with other members of the Council of Ministers on various issues. Further,

in keeping with the nature of our polity and the established conventions, all concerned Ministries/Departments of the Government of India are expected to keep the Prime Minister informed of all major policy decisions in advance notwithstanding the authority vested in the Minister-in-Charge of the concerned Ministry/Department.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The desirability of keeping the Prime Minister informed about major policy decisions is reiterated to all Ministries/Departments from time to time.

Fire in collieries

†1020. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several collieries in the country are out of production due to constant fire raging in these collieries;

(b) if so, the locations of these collieries;

(c) the quantum of coal reserves expected to be found in these collieries; and

(d) the average quantity of coal destroyed annually due to fire in the collieries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYAN RAO): (a) and (b) As reported by Coal India Ltd., production in the following three collieries of subsidiary companies of Coal India Ltd. has been stopped due to fire:

(i) West Victoria Colliery under Chanch Victoria area of Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL) located near Barakar in Bardhawan District of West Bengal.

(ii) Religara Colliery under Argada area of Central Coalfields Ltd. (CCL) located near-Ramgarh in Hazaribagh District of Jharkhand.

(iii) J K unit, Madhujore Colliery of Kajora area, Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (ECL).

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.